

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 1-6, 32, 34-35 and 41-63 remain in this application. Claims 7 and 36-39 are canceled. Claims 8-31 were previously canceled. Claim 40 is withdrawn. Claims 44-63 are new.

Applicant hereby petitions under 37 CFR 1.136(a) for a two-month extension of time to respond to the Office action mailed February 5, 2007. Applicant encloses the necessary payment.

The present amendment includes 32 claims; 1 more than the 31 claims previously paid for during filing of the application. Accordingly, Applicant includes the necessary payment for adding 1 dependent claim.

Applicant thanks the Examiner for assistance on June 6, 2007 in rewriting claim 33 in independent form. The telephonic conference was principally limited to claim 33. Claim 33 is presented herein as new claim 54, and is rewritten as agreed.

The Examiner objected to claims 7 and 33 as being dependent upon a rejected base claims, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

Regarding claim 7, Applicant rewrites all limitations of claim 7 into claim 1. Accordingly, amended claim 1 is in condition for allowance. Claims 2-6, 32 and 34-35 are dependent from claim 1 and, therefore, are also in condition for allowance.

Regarding claim 33, Applicant rewrites claim 33 in independent form as new claim 54 in accordance with the Examiner's instructions per telephonic conference of June 6, 2007. Accordingly, new claim 54 is in condition for allowance. Claims 55-63 are dependent from claim 54 and, therefore, are also in condition for allowance.

The Examiner allowed claims 41-43. As new claims 44-53 are dependent on claim 41, they are also in condition for allowance.

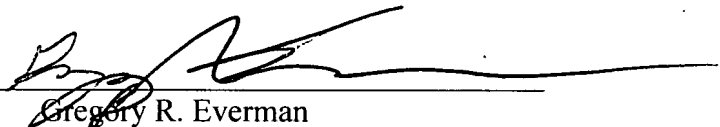
Claim 41 is amended to correct a typo in which the term "wherein" was typed twice.

As this amendment conforms the claims to allowable condition, Applicant respectfully requests that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case.

Respectfully submitted,

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